

We claim:

1. A customizable frame assembly for providing a housing structure for attachment to a boat rail arrangement on the gunnel of a boat, said assembly utilized for supporting a covering of said boat, said assembly comprising:

an arrangement of hollow elongated members connected by a plurality of articable joints, said arrangement including a first hollow elongated member and a second hollow elongated member, each having a first end with a boat rail arrangement engaging portion thereon.

2. The customizable frame assembly as recited in claim 1, , wherein said boat rail engaging portion of said first hollow elongated member comprises a resilient curved skirt flared over at least a portion of said first end of first hollow elongated member.
3. The customizable frame assembly as recited in claim 1, wherein said boat rail engaging portion of said second elongated hollow member comprises a pair of elongated, spaced-apart leg portions having an elongated gap therebetween.

4. The customizable frame assembly as recited in claim 3, wherein said spaced-apart leg portions are generally identical to one another.
5. The customizable frame assembly as recited in claim 2, wherein said curved skirt portion has a narrowed pinched portion connecting said skirt portion to said hollow elongated member.
6. The customizable frame assembly as recited in claim 5, including a lower jaw portion arranged circumferentially opposed to said skirt portion, said lower jaw portion and said narrow pinched portion of said elongated member defining a boat rail arrangement engaging opening, said opening extending transverse to a longitudinal axis of said hollow elongated member.
7. The customizable frame assembly as recited in claim 6, wherein said lower jaw portion has a distal edge with a pair of formed apexes thereon to facilitate the engagement of said elongated hollow member onto a boat rail arrangement.

8. The customizable frame assembly as recited in claim 6, wherein said skirt has a distalmost lip which extends across said longitudinal axis of said elongated member.
9. The customizable frame assembly as recited in claim 3, wherein said elongated gap has a tapered distal edge on each of said spaced-apart leg portions to facilitate attachment of said hollow, elongated member to a cable on said boat rail arrangement.

10. A customizable frame assembly for providing a housing structure for attachment to a boat rail arrangement on the gunnel of a boat, said assembly utilized for supporting a covering of said boat, said assembly comprising:

an arrangement of hollow elongated members connected by a plurality of articulable joints, said arrangement including a first hollow elongated member and a second hollow elongated member, each having a first end with a boat rail arrangement engaging portion thereon, wherein said boat rail engaging portion of said first hollow elongated member comprises a resilient curved skirt flared over at least a portion of said first end of first hollow elongated member, and wherein said boat rail engaging portion of said first hollow elongated member comprises a resilient curved skirt flared over at least a portion of said first end of first hollow elongated member.